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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicant acknowledges receipt of an Office Action dated 02/17/2005. Also filed simultaneously herewith is a petition and fee for a 2 month extension within which to file this Amendment and Response.

Applicant responds to the Examiner's concerns as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8A)